



John V. Allen Jr.

December 9, 1954 - February 16, 2020

John Vernon Allen Jr.

Surviving family: Son Sean Allen and wife Laura of Tulsa, Daughter Kelly McCollom and Husband Trevor of Broken Arrow, Son Matthew Allen and Julie Ledbetter of Muskogee, Karen Renfro of Tulsa, His brother Nick Allen and family, brother David Allen and family, sister Susan Gaylor and family and brother Steve Allen and family. He was a very proud papa to his twin grandsons Easton John and Westin Mark McCollom.

Preceded in death by his parents Jack and Joan Allen, sister-in-law Barbara Allen and many cousins, aunts and uncles.

John was called suddenly to Heaven on February 16th in the early hours of the morning. John was born in Tulsa on December 9th of 1954, the second of 5 siblings. He lived most of his life in Muskogee, attending Sacred Heart Catholic School, West Junior High, and Muskogee High School. He loved football and was a proud Rougher that went on the play at North Eastern Oklahoma A&M as a Norseman. That is where he met Karen Reece, the mother of his three children Sean, Kelly, and Matt. After completing his bachelor's degree at Northeastern, John began his career of nearly 30 years at Griffin Foods and then went on to work for Dal-Tile for 17 years. John was a lifelong member of St. Josephs Catholic Church and that is where you would

find him on most Saturday nights. University of Tulsa football and basketball was a true passion and he very rarely missed a home game. If you needed John he was with family or at the “plant.” In the last five years, the true light of his life was his grandsons. He was a dedicated Papa John and spent every Friday with his boys.

John leaves a legacy of hard work, loyalty, grit, and generosity that will remain with the many people whose lives he touched. His loss will be felt deeply and leaves a void that will be hard to fill, but that is a statement to the wide network of family, friends, and coworkers that loved and respected John.

In lieu of flowers, contribution to Neighbor for Neighbor would be appreciated as it was a charity near and dear to John.

A rosary is planned for 6PM, Thursday, February 20, 2020 at Cornerstone Funeral Home Chapel.

Funeral services celebrating John’s life will be 10AM, Friday, February 21, 2020 at St. Joseph Catholic Church with Father Richard Cristler celebrant.

Honorary Pallbearers: Mario Hernandez, Kenny Dean, Tom Doerner, Steve Waters, Randy Burton, Cliff Wheeler, Bill Gillock and Kevin Harlan.

Previous Events

Rosary

FEB **20**. 6:00 PM (CT)

Cornerstone Funeral Home Chapel
1830 N. York St.
Muskogee, OK 74403

Memorial Service

FEB **21**. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Joseph Catholic Church
301 N. Virginia St.
Muskogee, OK 74403

Tribute Wall

MF

“ John.. you died on my birthday ☐ I am sorry I scared you and missed the dance. Your blue eyes and fabulous smile 🥰🙌

Mary Forhan-Robey - August 11, 2025 at 07:33 PM



“ John V. Allen Jr.

October 23, 2023 at 09:38 AM

ML

“ May John’s family be exalted to comfort and safety. We were close friends and I miss him very much. He was a fine man and the hardest worker. Rest In Peace John Vernon Allen.

Mike Lippmann - May 21, 2020 at 12:15 AM

ML

“ Mike Lippmann lit a candle in memory of John V. Allen Jr.



Mike Lippmann - May 20, 2020 at 11:18 PM

KM

“ I was shocked to hear of John’s passing. We sure spent a lot of our childhood together and great memories as high schoolers. Forever in my prayers all of you. Kathy Fullenwider Mosher

kathy fullenwider mosher - March 29, 2020 at 09:03 AM

RO

“ *Roberta Godley Oeser lit a candle in memory of John V. Allen Jr.*



Roberta Godley Oeser - February 21, 2020 at 04:26 PM

RM

“ *Randy Moses lit a candle in memory of John V. Allen Jr.*



Randy Moses - February 21, 2020 at 03:01 PM

HI

“ *Hix Air Conditioning Service, Inc. lit a candle in memory of John V. Allen Jr.*



Hix Air Conditioning Service, Inc. - February 21, 2020 at 10:42 AM

TD

“ *Tom Doerner lit a candle in memory of John V. Allen Jr.*



Tom Doerner - February 21, 2020 at 09:05 AM

JE

“ John was wonderful and fun to work with at all the St. Joseph school and Church activities. I usually saw him and Saturday mass when I went on that day. Wish now I would have talked a little longer last i saw him.

Jim and Margaret Eby - February 20, 2020 at 06:23 PM

RM

John always will be remember as our dear friend. So glad we got to visit w him recently. Rest in Peace John. Praying for his family. Randy & Cheryl Moses

Randy Moses - February 21, 2020 at 03:05 PM

JS

“ Joe Skeith lit a candle in memory of John V. Allen Jr.



Joe Skeith - February 20, 2020 at 04:26 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of John V. Allen Jr..



February 20, 2020 at 04:04 PM

JF

“ John was true through and through. If there was a solution needed, John would seek it and find it. Johns honesty, candor and dedication help build and sustain Daltile Muskogee.



Joseph Fuller - February 20, 2020 at 03:00 PM

MF

“ John was a lifetime member of my church family as we celebrated the Holy Eucharist on Saturdays at the Vigil Mass. May his enduring example of his faith be an inspiration to us all. My condolences to his children, grandchildren and siblings. Take comfort in knowing he lived a good life and was loved by all who knew him. God bless you, John!

Mary Ratley Faruqi

Mary Faruqi - February 20, 2020 at 09:34 AM

Jl

“ Jerry Newby II lit a candle in memory of John V. Allen Jr.



Jerry Newby II - February 20, 2020 at 08:13 AM

PN

“ It was with great regret that I received the evening, and that made me very sad, for the loss of a great man and a great friend with whom I worked every time I worked at Dall tile Muskogee. my sincere feelings to the family, and may God welcome him with open arms.

Paulo Neves - February 20, 2020 at 07:31 AM

DM

“ John was a good guy and a solid friend...your booming voice and sense of humor will be forever missed..rest easy John, Godspeed my friend...won't be the same at the plant without you

Donny Moses - February 19, 2020 at 11:19 PM

JF

“ Johnny Fabian lit a candle in memory of John V. Allen Jr.



Johnny Fabian - February 19, 2020 at 06:38 PM

DL

“ I have know John for many years and he was a hard working man that would always want to help when needed. He was dedicated to his work and family and truly loved talking about both. I will miss the conversations John and I had about retirement and of course, the stock market. John, you will be missed.
Dave Lippert

Dave Lippert - February 19, 2020 at 05:13 PM

AO

“ It's with deepest sadness that we will miss one of our first and good friend, since we first started working in the United States back in 2003.

John Allen has always helped us through all these years, both through good and bad times, always opened to assist others especially our technicians traveling from overseas.

We will certainly miss his presence at the plant, where we always talked and joked about work, family, life and friendship.

May you Rest in Peace and one day we will all meet again.

O&C SERVICES INC sends our sincere condolences to John Allen's entire family and his Dal-Tile plant family.

ANTONIO OLIVEIRA - February 19, 2020 at 05:11 PM

OI

“ O&C SERVICES, INC. purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of John V. Allen Jr..



O&C SERVICES, INC. - February 19, 2020 at 05:10 PM

DL

“ Dave Lippert lit a candle in memory of John V. Allen Jr.



Dave Lippert - February 19, 2020 at 04:56 PM

AC

“ I feel very lucky that I got to know John and his family over the past 35 years. John was a very hard working man and so very proud of his family. He will be missed so much!



ann clark - February 19, 2020 at 04:37 PM

JM

“ Prayers for Matt and the family. He was always a nice man when he would come to get Matt.
Miss Jackie-School's out program

JACQUELINE MIKE - February 19, 2020 at 03:04 PM

DF

“ Dickson Daltile Family purchased the Serenity Wreath for the family of John V. Allen Jr..



Dickson Daltile Family - February 19, 2020 at 01:36 PM

SD

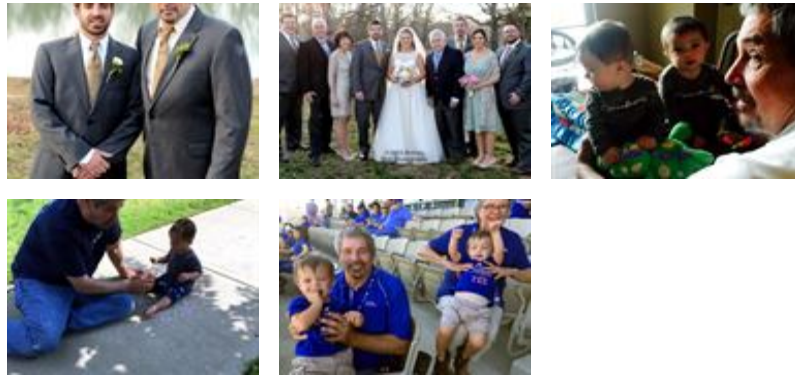
“ Stacy Dunn lit a candle in memory of John V. Allen Jr.



Stacy Dunn - February 19, 2020 at 02:07 AM



“ 65 files added to the album Life Tributes



Cornerstone Funeral Home and Crematory - February 18, 2020 at 03:41 PM

PG

John's passing has been such a shock and sad. He was such a super nice guy all kind and rather shy at times. It was great knowing him in school and growing up. He will be missed! God Bless his family in this time of sorrow.

Peg & Gary Griffiths

Peg & Gary Griffiths - February 19, 2020 at 10:28 AM

PJ

A wonderful man and a faithful parishioner. Such an unexpected loss. Blessings and prayers to family and friends. #triafayechurchlady

Patria F. Johnson - February 20, 2020 at 12:54 PM

FK

“ Felicite Kizzia lit a candle in memory of John V. Allen Jr.



Felicite Kizzia - February 18, 2020 at 02:42 PM

MC

“ *Mark & Suellen Caywood lit a candle in memory of John V. Allen Jr.*




Mark & Suellen Caywood - February 18, 2020 at 11:50 AM

AJ

“ *I have known John a long time. From college and baseball and work. John was a good and loyal friend. I will miss him Prayers goes to all the family.*


Arnett Jones - February 18, 2020 at 11:25 AM

 Shane N Valarie Arnold

“ *Shane N Valarie Arnold purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of John V. Allen Jr..*



Shane N Valarie Arnold - February 18, 2020 at 09:55 AM

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“ *Shane N Valarie Arnold lit a candle in memory of John V. Allen Jr.*



Shane N Valarie Arnold - February 18, 2020 at 09:47 AM

DC

“ *Debbie Davis Curtis lit a candle in memory of John V. Allen Jr.*



debbie davis curtis - February 18, 2020 at 02:03 AM